

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1114

By Matlock

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Addie Lou Hart Gunnels of Lenoir City.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Addie Lou Hart Gunnels; and

WHEREAS, Addie Lou Gunnels was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for her fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, Addie Lou Hart Gunnels served with acumen and alacrity as a secretary at the Oak Ridge National Lab for approximately thirty-five years, in which position she earned the respect of her peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of her work; and

WHEREAS, a truly gifted artist, Addie Lou Gunnels enjoyed spending many hours of her spare time after retirement drawing and painting; and

WHEREAS, she was an active and devout member of First Baptist Church in Lenoir City, which she served faithfully for many years in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, the mother of our former colleague, Representative Doug Gunnels, Addie Lou Hart Gunnels was deeply devoted to her family, and she always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, she was preceded in death by her husband, Grant C. Gunnels, and her parents, Sam and Adelia Crow Hart; and

WHEREAS, Addie Lou Hart Gunnels is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Doug and Vicki Gunnels; grandsons, Cory and Brett Gunnels; sisters, Helen Atchley and Sue Prestwood; brother, Jimmy Hart; nieces, Becky, Tracy, and Kathy; nephew, Dan; and several great nieces and nephews; and

WHEREAS, Addie Lou Gunnels leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all her chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Addie Lou Hart Gunnels, reflecting fondly upon her impeccable character and her stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Addie Lou Hart Gunnels.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.